

High River

Opportunities

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High River District

AREA AND LOCATION

The High River District, containing 1440 square miles or about 1,000,000 acres of best arable prairie land, is located in the mild Chinook belt of Southern Alberta at the base of the Rocky Mountains.



SOIL The High River soil is a rich black loam over a clay subsoil, easily farmed, no gumbo or hard pan.



GENERAL ADVANTAGES

A level country, good roads, land endowed schools, low taxes and rural telephones are some of the advantages of the High River farming district.



CROPS

Winter wheat, spring wheat, oats, barley, flax, rye, alfalfa, timothy and other grasses and all kinds of vegetables are grown successfully in the High River District.



WINTER WHEAT

Winter wheat grows as naturally in the High River District as the native prairie grass.

YIELDS We have authentic instances of the following yields in the High River District:

Wheat	60	bushels	to the	acre.
Oats	140	"	"	"
Barley	75	"	"	"
Flax	28	"	"	"
Timothy	4½	tons	"	"
Potat's	450	Bush	"	"

A TEN YEARS' AVERAGE :

	WHEAT	OATS	BARLEY
North Dakota.....	12.7	25.6	21.7
South Dakota.....	10.4	23.7	21.0
Minnesota	14.2	30.9	26.2
Wisconsin	14.5	32.9	27.4
Michigan	14.1	29.7	22.
Illinois	13.2	31.5	24.1
Iowa.....	14.7	31.7	24.3
Nebraska.....	12.2	24.8	20.8
CENTRAL ALBERTA.....	27.42	40.92	28.87

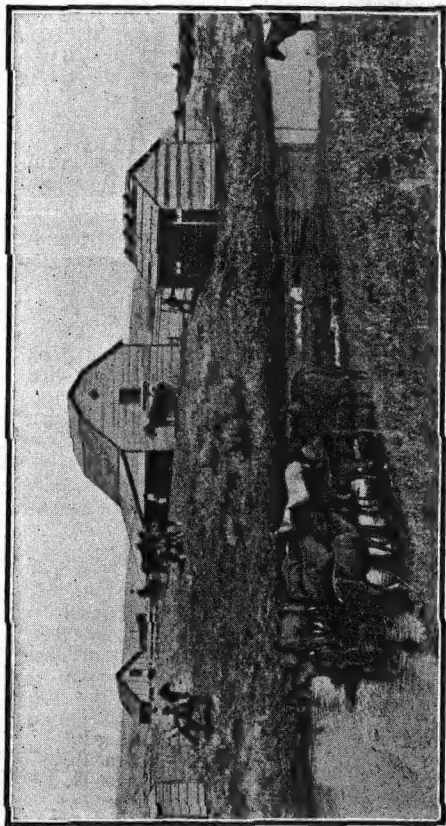
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High River oats weigh 41 to 46 lbs. stroke measure: wheat 64 lbs.



Mr. Burton E. Moore, of High River raised in 1907, 47 bushels of Alberta Red Winter Wheat per acre on 50 acres, which he sold at 75 cts. per bushel; $50 \times 47 \times 75 = \1762.50 over \$35 per acre.



VIEW ON A HIGH RIVER HOMESTEAD.

Mr. J. D. Taylor, (Sec. 24, Twp. 21, Rge. 25, W. 4 M., raised 104 bushels of oats to the acre in 1907 which sold at 41c. per bush.; $104 \times 41 = \$42.64$ per acre.



MARKETS Being the last Western grain-raising district, we have both an Eastern and Western market.

The Lumbering and Mining Districts of British Columbia furnish a near market for all kinds farm produce.



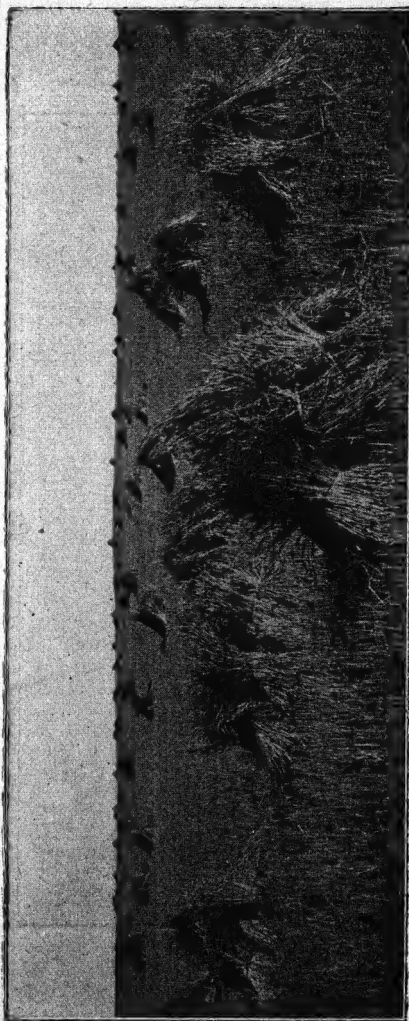
PRICES The freight rate on grain from High River to the Great Lakes is less than the rate from Eastern Nebraska to Chicago; the Winnipeg grain market is higher than the Chicago market.



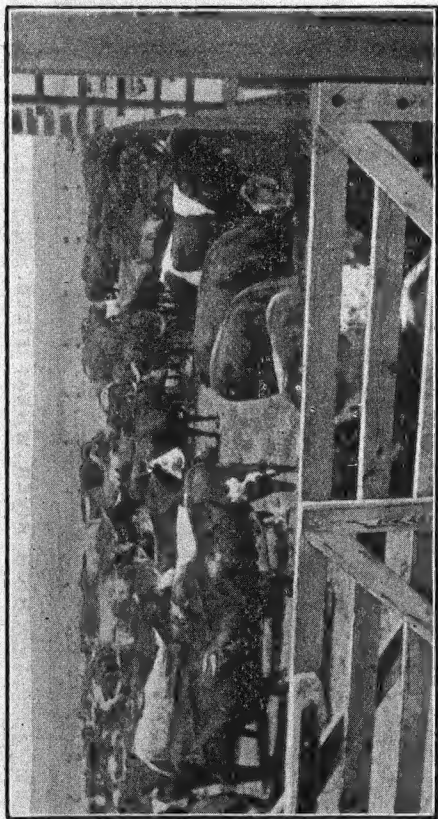
The High River farmer receives for his produce the following prices:

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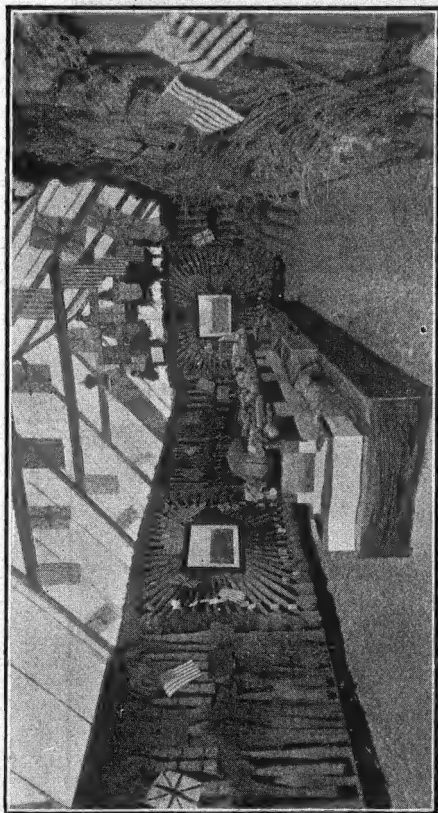
Timothy.....	\$12-\$15 per ton
Potatoes.....	85c per bushel
Butter.....	30 to 35c per lb.
Eggs.....	25 to 30c per dozen
Beef..... (dressed)	10 to 18c per lb.
Pork.....	12½ to 15c per lb.
Mutton... "	8 to 18c per lb.
Lamb.....	15 to 18c per lb.
Chicken... "	15 to 20c per lb.
Turkey... "	20 to 25c per lb.
Ducks... "	15 to 20c per lb.
Geese... "	15 to 20c per lb.



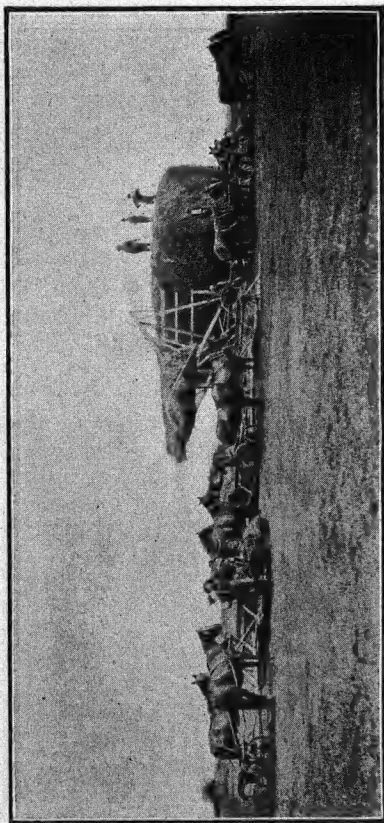
HIGH RIVER WHEAT FIELD.



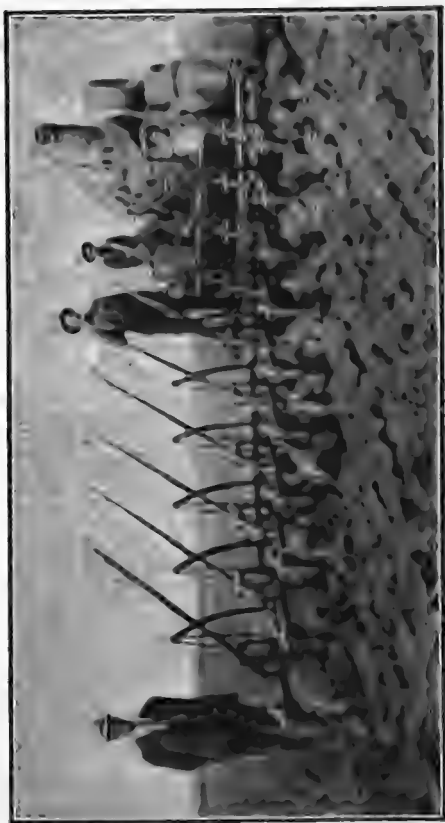
HIGH RIVER GRASS FED CATTLE.



OUR EXHIBIT AT SPOKANE.



STACKING TIMOTHY ON R. A. WALLACE'S FARM.



A HIGH RIVER STEAM PLOW AT WORK.

CLIMATE

Southern Alberta has a better climate than Illinois, Iowa, or Nebraska; warmer in winter, cooler in Summer; no blizzards, tornadoes nor severe electrical storms.

**RAINFALL**

The average monthly rainfall for the last ten years is as follows:

Jan., 0'18; Feb., 0'32; Mch., 0'70; Ap., 0'41;
May, 2'83; June, 3'86; July, 2'18; Aug., 3'10;
Sept., 1'34; Oct., 0'38; Nov., 0'50; Dec., 0'36.

**HORSES**

In this mild climate the Farmer turns his work horses into pasture in the fall, where they remain all winter without hay, grain or care, and takes them up in the Spring fat and ready for work.

**CATTLE**

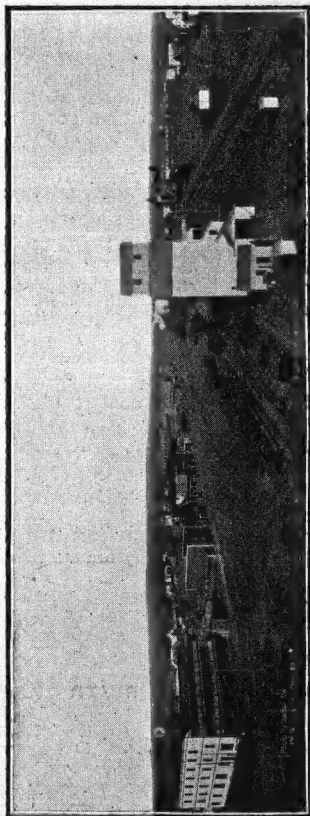
We turn off beef in April made by feeding cattle nothing but our nutritious prairie hay and that without shelter.

Alberta hay fed steers at the same age weigh more than the corn fed steers of the Central States: Honen & Sons, of High River, turned off in April, 1908, 15 head, mostly 4's, which averaged 1760 lbs.

**HOGS**

Hog raising is profitable; no cholera or other disease troubles them here.

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PART OF THE BUSINESS SECTION HIGH RIVER

TOWN The Town of High River is a good market Town, with a population of 1500 and growing rapidly. It has three large Elevators, three Banks, good Schools, Churches, Stores, Hotels, Saw and Planing Mills. The Town is electric lighted and has good water.



COST OF LUMBER Lumber in High River costs the farmer \$20 per M upward. The Lineham Lumber Co. sawed 3,500,000 feet in High River last year. The logs float to the mills from their limits in the foot-hills forty miles west of the Town.



COST OF FUEL The High River farmers pay only \$2.00 per ton for coal at the mines, East and West of Town; \$1.50 per double box load for wood, at the High River Mill.

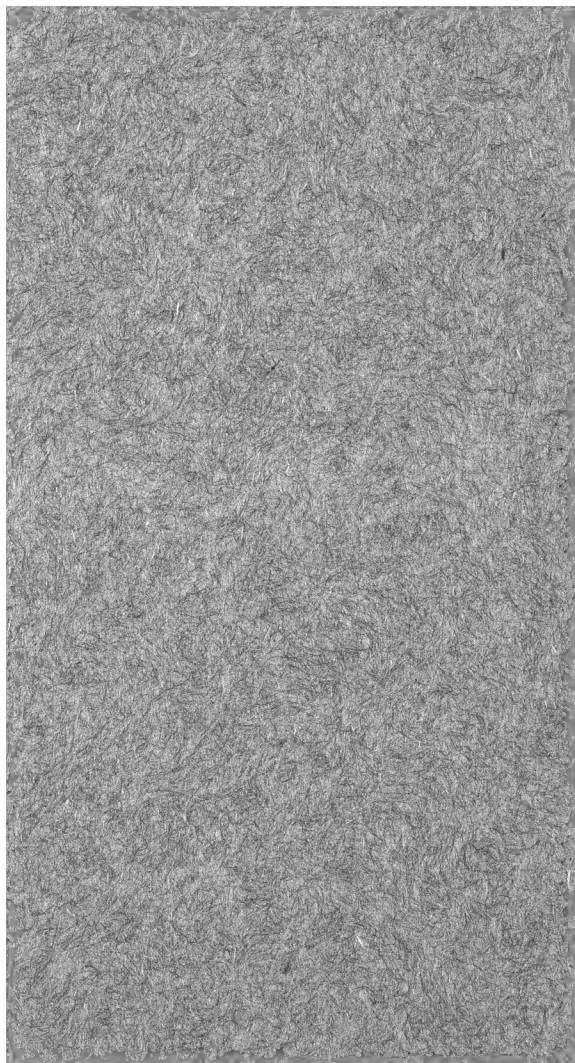


INQUIRIES Inquiries regarding the High River District will be gladly answered by the Board of Trade.



AN AVERAGE HIGH RIVER CROP.

Spring Wheat, 28.62; Winter Wheat, 32.94; Oats, 49.27; Barley, 30.39.—GOVERNMENT RETURNS.



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